

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Cancel claims 1-17

18. (New) A water craft comprising a hull which divides into two parts in the aft section, from or near the central fore and aft axis of the craft, each part sweeping out toward the beam of the craft on either side thereof to form a roofed swallow tail with the widest separation of hull parts at the stern of the craft.

19. (New) A water craft comprising a monohull which divides into two parts in the aft section, from or near the central fore and aft axis of the craft, each part sweeping out toward the beam of the craft on either side thereof to form a roofed swallow tail with the widest separation of hull parts at the stern of the craft, wherein the internal walls of the swallow tail and the bottom of the monohull form a sharp edge with an angle therebetween being within 25 degrees of a right angle.

20. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the space between the two parts of the swallow tail is substantially below the water line of the craft.

21. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the space between the two parts of the swallow tail is both below and above the waterline of the craft.

22. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the gap between the two parts of the swallow tail is roofed all the way to the transom.

23. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the craft has a recessed transom in the area of the roofed swallow tail

24. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the swallow tail begins before the aft third of the craft's length but in the aft half of the craft.

25. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the swallow tail begins in the aft third of the crafts length.

26. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the first two thirds of the length of the swallow tail each part diverges from its starting point by 25 percent of the distance from the starting point to the maximum waterline width.

27. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the swallow tail diverges 70 percent of the distance from their starting point to the maximum waterline width in the aft 25 percent of the length of the swallow tail.

28. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the draft of the swallow tails decrease along their lengths to be at or near the waterline at the transom
29. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the draft of the swallow tails remains substantially the same along their length.
30. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which there is a sharp or within 25 degrees of a right angle edge both where the walls of the swallow tails meet the bottom of the boat and where the outside sides of the hull meets the bottom of the boat in the aft section of the craft.
31. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the bottom of the hull in the aft section is substantially flat.
32. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which the side of the craft and the wall of the swallow tails converge to meet in a point near the transom
33. (New) A water craft as in Claim 19 in which concave sections along the length of the bottom of the craft meet the sharp edges where the wall of the swallow tails meet the bottom of the water craft.